## **ENROLLED ORDINANCE 159-46**

## CREATE PROGRAM CHANGES TO THE RETIREE HEALTH INSURANCE PLAN

WHEREAS Waukesha County offers a retiree health insurance plan to eligible employees, and

WHEREAS participating retirees pay the full cost of the established premium rates, which reflect separate actuarial rating from the active employee plan, and

WHEREAS the Retiree Health Plan has been operating at a loss despite efforts to establish premium rates that will support the retiree health plans expenses, and

WHEREAS it is desirable to establish a plan design that provides comprehensive health care protection at premium levels that are affordable to retirees, and

WHEREAS the County Board established an objective in the 2004 budget to substantially reduce or eliminate the County subsidy toward the Retiree Health Plan.

THE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF WAUKESHA DOES ORDAIN that the following program changes will be made to the retiree health insurance plan effective January 1, 2005:

- 1. Eliminate the county's current retiree health plan design.
- 2. Offer retirees the choice of two benefit level options (actuarially rated under a single risk pool) with increased deductibles, co-payments, and coinsurance under the county's retiree health insurance program, which will be fully funded by member premiums. Establish administrative rules to allow participants to change their benefit level elections annually during an open enrollment period.
- 3. Offer Medicare-eligible retirees and covered spouses the option to enroll in an alternative Medicare-approved health plan, provided a plan is available. Establish administrative rules to provide retirees and covered spouses the option to change coverage between the alternative Medicare-approved health plan and the County's retiree health insurance program during an annual open enrollment period. In the event that an alternative Medicare-approved health plan ceases to be available, member (s) will be allowed to enroll in the County's retiree health insurance program.
- 4. Establish administrative rules to permit covered spouses of deceased retirees to remain enrolled as a subscriber in the County's retiree health insurance program or an alternative Medicare-approved health plan.

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